

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, after the title, insert the following paragraph:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

On page 1, before the line numbered as “10” insert the following paragraph:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

On page 3, before line 4 insert the following paragraph:

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 3 please substitute the paragraph starting at line 4 with the following paragraph:

In a first aspect of this invention there is provided a method for producing a colour recommendation for a structure or part of a structure to be painted which comprises as shown in Figure 1 the steps of selecting, at a user terminal (UT) and from a first database (DB1) containing at least one image of structural archetypes stored in electronic format on storage means, an archetype image that closely matches the structure to be painted, the first database (DB1) being located at a server (SERVER) remote from the said user terminal selecting, at the said user terminal (UT), a colour or colours from a second database (DB2) containing at least one colour stored in electronic format on storage means the second database likewise being located at the remote server (SERVER) applying the colour or colours at the remote server to the image to produce a colour scheme displaying, on a display unit (DU) of the user terminal (UT), the structure or part of a structure with the colour applied and providing information from which paint corresponding to the colour or colours in the colour scheme can be identified.

On page 4 please substitute the paragraph starting at line 5 with the following paragraph:

In a third aspect there is provided by this invention a system for producing a colour recommendation for a structure or part of a structure to be painted that as shown in Figure 2 comprises: a first database (DB1) located at a server (SERVER) remote from a user terminal containing at least one image of structural archetypes stored in electronic format on storage means; a second database (DB2) located at the server (SERVER) remote from the user terminal (UT) containing at least one colour stored in electronic format on storage means; applying means (A1) located within the server to apply at least one colour to said image to produce a colour scheme; and display means (DU) located at the user to display the structure or part of the structure with the colour applied; and said display means being arranged in use further to provide information from which paint corresponding to the colour or colours in the colour scheme can be identified.

On page 4 please substitute the paragraph starting at line 18 with the following paragraph:

In a fourth aspect of this invention there is provided A system for producing a colour recommendation for a structure or part of a structure to be painted that as shown in Figure 3 comprises: a first database (DB1) containing at least one image of a structural archetype stored in electronic format on optical storage means; a second database (DB2) containing at least one colour stored in electronic format on optical storage means; applying means (A1) located at a user terminal (UT) for applying the at least one colour, obtained from said optical storage means, to the image to produce a colour scheme; and display means (DU) for displaying the structure or part of the structure with the colour applied; the display means being arranged in use further to provide information from which paint corresponding to the colour or colours in the colour scheme can be identified.

On page 5, before line 4, insert the following paragraphs:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1, is a schematic diagram of the process and system of an embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 2, is a schematic diagram of the process and system of another embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 3, is a schematic diagram of the process and system of still another embodiment of the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

On page 7 please substitute the paragraph starting at line 4 with the following paragraph:

Access to the database can be remote for example via communication lines (CL) such as a local or wide area network. In a preferred embodiment of this invention remote access is via the Internet. This is advantageous because the size of the database is not limited by the capacity of the local terminal. This means that the database can expand in size as the available product ranges expand. Furthermore, updating the database is quicker and can be undertaken more frequently as only the server storing the database has to be updated as opposed to each individual local terminal. This also ensures that each potential consumer has access to the same products. This means that each user can access new product items, which may be more suitable.